Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Chief Warrant Officer William V. Waeckerle's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Chief Warrant Officer Waeckerle devoted more than 42 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a pilot, a leader, and a full-time training officer in the South Dakota National Guard Aviation Community, to include many state and federal missions; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Chief Warrant Officer Waeckerle continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Chief Warrant Officer William V. Waeckerle for more than 42 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 9, 2008, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eleventh Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State